

Series #2: Key-Verses about God in the New Testament, English only
Names/when they started (move the name down one day at a time)

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Week 1

Letter to start:

This is a new series of KeyVerses, (name).

We're going to learn more and more about God from them, so you can have more confidence in him.

I hope they help you grow spiritually, and encourage you.

Our goal in life should be to know God, and make him known to others around us.

Day 1: John 4.24

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

[Jesus] God is Spirit, so those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth. (John 4.24)

We can't see God, (name), but he's real, more real than we are. He's always existed. We can worship him everywhere because he's not limited by time or space. Today take time to love and worship him.

Day 2: Hebrews 4.13

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

Nothing in all creation is hidden from God. Everything is naked and exposed before his eyes, and he's the one to whom we are accountable. (Hebrews 4.13)

We're always in God's presence, (name). We can't hide from him. And we will answer to him for our choices, what we did with the freedom he gave us. Today thank him that he's with you, and tell him you want to please him.

Day 3: Matt 7.11

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give good gifts to those who ask him. (Matthew 7.11)

Parents are generous to their children, (name). God is like this – he loves to give! Because you're his child, he will give you many good gifts. Ask him to pick the best gifts and give them to you.

Day 4: Hebrews 11.3

By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command, that what we now see didn't come from anything that can be seen. (Hebrews 11.3)

God is the creator of everything, (name). He made it all, including us. He's so powerful he can speak a word, and creation happens. Appreciate the world around you today. Say "wow" to his creativity, and worship him.

Day 5: 1 Thess. 5.23-24

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

Now may the God of peace make you holy in every way, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ comes again. God will make this happen, for he who calls you is faithful. (1 Thessalonians 5.23-24)

You can depend on God, (name). He's making you into a different person, so you'll resemble Jesus. Your personality in your body, with Jesus' life. Ask him to make this happen in you, so you can be like Jesus more and more.

Week 2

Day 6: Heb 4.16

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

So let's come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we'll receive his mercy, and we'll find grace to help us when we need it most. (Hebrews 4.16)

God is a King over all the universe, (name). But we get to know him and love him. And he's willing to help us in our struggles. Today ask him to be good to you and help you.

Day 7: Matt. 11.25

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

At that time Jesus prayed this prayer: "O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, thank you for hiding these things from those who think themselves wise and clever, and for revealing them to the childlike. (Matthew 11.25)

God in control of the whole universe, (name). But he's our father too! He will teach us, if we have the heart of a child, wanting to learn. Ask God to give you a childlike heart, so he can teach you about himself and about life.

Day 8: Heb. 11.6

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

And it's impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him. (Hebrews 11.6)

Before we were Christians, (name), we were independent from God. We didn't believe in him, didn't think we needed him. Now we know he exists and loves us. If we seek him, he will give us many good things. Ask him today to help you believe in him more and more.

Day 9: Matt 6.24

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

[Jesus] No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you'll be devoted to one and despise the other. You can't serve both God and money. (Matthew 6.24)

Most people worship money as their god. They want more and more money, but ignore God. Jesus is very clear, we must live for God and serve him, not money. Ask God to help you love him more than anything else, (name).

Day 10: Matt. 26.39

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

Jesus went on a little farther and bowed with his face to the ground, praying, "My Father! If it is possible, let this cup of suffering be taken away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine." (Matthew 26.39)

God gave us the freedom to choose, (name). We can choose our own way, or his way. Jesus faced this struggle before the cross. He chose God's way over his own. Ask God for this kind of courage, to let God choose the way for you.

Week 3

Day 11: Rom. 1.18-19

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

But God shows his anger from heaven against all sinful, wicked people who suppress the truth by their wickedness. They know the truth about God because he has made it obvious to them. (Romans 1.18-19)

The Bible says people know the truth about God, but they don't believe it, (name). They want to be like a god, to live any way they wish. It makes God angry that they don't accept him. But we're different. We believe the truth about God. Now we want to please him, not make him angry.

Day 12: Heb. 12.29

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

For our God is a devouring fire. (Hebrews 12.29)

A forest fire is a frightening thing, (name). It burns everything in its path. This verse compares God to a fire. No one can stand against him. When we belong to God, we don't have to fear him any more. Today take time to tell him you love him.

Day 13: Rom. 1.25

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

They traded the truth about God for a lie. So they worshiped and served the things God created instead of the Creator himself, who is worthy of eternal praise! Amen. (Romans 1.25)

God made us to love and worship him, (name). All around us, people refuse to do this. But we aren't like them any more. Tell God you want to love him more today, and serve him.

Day 14: Rom. 2.4

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

Don't you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you? Can't you see that his kindness is intended to turn you from your sin? (Romans 2.4)

Before we knew God, (name), we lived independently. We did what we wanted, not what he wanted. But he was kind and patient with us. Thank him today for how he showed kindness to you before you became a Christian.

Day 15: Heb. 12.10

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

For our earthly fathers disciplined us for a few years, doing the best they knew how. But God's discipline is always good for us, so that we might share in his holiness. (Hebrews 12.10)

God is our father, (name). Like a good dad, he shows love for us by disciplining us. We can fight his discipline or welcome it. Let's welcome it! His goal is to make us like Jesus. Ask God today to show you the way, so you can be more like Jesus. And thank him that he cares so much for you.

Week 4

Day 16: Rom. 2.16

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

God's not prejudiced, (name). He loves every one – poor/rich, smart/dumb, woman/man, beautiful/ugly. It doesn't matter what country you're from, if you want to be his child, he'll accept you. Tell him you don't want to be prejudiced either.

Day 17: Rom. 3.4

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

Even if everyone else is a liar, God is true. As the Scriptures say about him, "You'll be proved right in what you say, and you will win your case in court." (Romans 3.4)

People blame God, curse at him, even hate him. But in the end God will win every argument. Why? we all have lied, (name), but God never lies. Thank God today that he always tells us the truth.

Day 18: Rom. 3.29-30

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

After all, is God the God of the Jews only? Isn't he also the God of the Gentiles [non-Jews]? Of course he is. There's only one God, and he makes people right with himself only by faith, whether they are Jews or Gentiles. (Romans 3.29-30)

No group can claim they "own" God, and no one else can have him. No! All of us can connect to him by trusting in Jesus. Thank God today that he gave you a way to come to him, (name), and be his child.

Day 19: Rom. 4.17

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

... Abraham believed in the God who brings the dead back to life and who creates new things out of nothing. (Romans 4.17)

When God told Abraham he and Sarah would have a baby, it seemed impossible because they were so old. But Abraham had confidence in God, who can do impossible things. And they had a baby! Ask God to give you more confidence in him, (name), so he can do impossible things for you.

Day 20: Rom. 5.5

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

... For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love. (Romans 5.5b)

The Holy Spirit lives in us now that we belong to God. Deep within, he's helping us experience God's love. Ask God to fill you up with as much Spirit and love as you can contain today, (name).

Week 5

Day 21: Rom 5.8

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. (Romans 5.8)

We didn't deserve to receive God's love, because we had failed him so much. But his love is greater than our sins! That's why he sent Jesus to die for us. As you go through your day, (name), think about God's amazing love for you.

Day 22: Rom. 6.4

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives. (Romans 6.4)

God did more than forgive us, (name), when we became Christians. He gave us a brand new life, that changes us from the inside out. Baptism shows that we died to the old ME and can now start living the new ME. Make that new ME stronger today!

Day 33: Rom. 8.29

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. (Romans 8.29)

What's God's dream for you, (name)? He picked you out so he can change you, letting you become like Jesus. We'll get to see what Jesus would look like, in your body, your personality, your time and space. How great this is!

Day 24: Rom. 8.31

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

What shall we say about such wonderful things as these? If God is for us, who can ever be against us? (Romans 8.31)

This is one of the most encouraging verses in the Bible, because it tells you God is on your side. As you go through your day, (name), picture God walking beside you, sitting beside you, to help you and encourage you. It really is wonderful to have this promise, *God is for me!*

Day 25: Rom 8.32

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

Since he did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won't he also give us everything else? (Romans 8.32)

God is so generous, (name)! We know that because he gave up Jesus for us, letting him die and be thrown away for our sakes. God wants to be generous to you, if you'll let him.

Week 6

Day 26: Rom. 8.38-39

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

I'm convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. Romans 8.38

We can get separated from every other love, (name), but not God's love. Whatever we experience, God will be there, loving us, helping us. Enjoy his love today, and let it warm you and encourage you.

Day 27: Rom. 9.16

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

So it is God who decides to show mercy. We can neither choose it nor work for it. (Romans 9.16)

If God didn't decide to be kind to us, (name), we'd never come to him and find him. This is why we must be humble and thankful for giving us a new life and adopting us into his family. We don't deserve it.

Day 28: Rom. 9.18

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

So you see, God chooses to show mercy to some, and he chooses to harden the hearts of others so they refuse to listen. (Romans 9.18)

It's sobering to realize that God had to open the door for us, so we could come to Jesus, (name). If not, we'd have a hard heart, just like people around us. Ask God to give you a soft heart, and a hunger to be close to him.

Day 29: Rom. 11.33

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

Oh, how great are God's riches and wisdom and knowledge! How impossible it is for us to understand his decisions and his ways! Romans 11.33

God is so wise, (name), and we're not. We can't figure out all he's doing. Even if he told us, we wouldn't understand. But we can trust in him and worship him. Let's do that today.

Day 30: Rom. 11.34-35

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

For who can know the LORD's thoughts?

Who knows enough to give him advice?

And who has given him so much

that he needs to pay it back? (Romans 11.34-35)

The answer is, no one can know God's thoughts – they're too deep. And God doesn't need our advice, (name). But we can have more and more confidence in him, this Father of ours, that he can figure out everything for our lives. Today tell him you trust him with your future.

Week 7

Day 31: Rom 11.36

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

For everything comes from him and exists by his power and is intended for his glory. All glory to him forever! Amen. (Romans 11.36)

That means you and me, (name). God made us for his glory. Before we were Christians, we lived for our own glory. Now we know the right way – live for his glory. Let's worship God today and make sure he's the center of attention, not ourselves.

Day 32: Rom. 12.19

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God. For the Scriptures say, "I'll take revenge; I'll pay them back," says the LORD. (Romans 12.19)

When we get hurt, we want to hurt someone back. When we're angry, we want revenge. But God is the Judge, not us. Only he knows all the truth. Ask God to help you control your anger, (name). Trust him to do the right thing to someone who hurt you.

Day 33: Rom. 15.33

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

And now may God, who gives us his peace, be with you all. Amen. (Romans 15.33)

So often we are worried and restless within, (name). God isn't. He can calm our hearts and give us peace, if we ask him. Open your heart today to him, so he can flood you with his peace.

Day 34: Luke 12.32

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

[Jesus] So don't be afraid, little flock. For it gives your Father great happiness to give you the Kingdom. (Luke 12.32)

God is a great, great Giver, (name). Even though we feel small and struggle with fear, God wants to encourage us. He's got great, great gifts ahead for us! Ask him today to take away your fears, so you can receive all he wants to give you.

Letter to finish:

This is our last KeyVerse about God, (name).

For our next series we'll learn more about Jesus.

I hope they help you really love him, really want to follow him.

I'll start the new series tomorrow, ones focusing on Jesus.

If you're too busy and don't have time to read them, let me know.

I'll stop sending them, of course.

Hope you're doing well!

Day 35: Jude 24-25

a Key-Verse about God to encourage you:

Now all glory to God, who is able to keep you from falling away and will bring you with great joy into his glorious presence without a single fault. All glory to him who alone is God, our Savior

through Jesus Christ our Lord. All glory, majesty, power, and authority are his before all time, and in the present, and beyond all time! Amen. (Jude 24-25)

If it weren't for God, (name), we'd all fall away from him. But he promises to keep us faithful to him. He promises to get us through this life safe, so we can stand before him pure and clean, in heaven. Oh, what a great God, to help us like this!

Extra John 3.17: God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.

Heb 13.20-21: Now may the God of peace—
 who brought up from the dead our Lord Jesus,
 the great Shepherd of the sheep,
 and ratified an eternal covenant with his blood—
may he equip you with all you need for doing his will.

Heb. 12.7: As you endure this divine discipline, remember that God is treating you as his own children. Who ever heard of a child who is never disciplined by its father?

Matt. 12.50: God forming a family